

January 19, 1995

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Supplement to AOR 1994-36

Mr. Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel The Federal Election Commission Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Noble:

Re: SAIC Request for Advisory Opinion of 11-17-94

Michael Marinelli of your staff requested further information with respect to SAIC's rules regulating withdrawals from an employee's CODA based upon hardship in a telephone call to me on January 17, 1995. He requested this information in order to facilitate the Commission's consideration of our request of November 17, 1994 for an advisory opinion regarding solicitation of our shareholders.

In response to Mr. Marinelli's request, I attach the following:

- CODA Hardship Withdrawal Form (Attachment 1);
- SAIC Retirement Committee Rule VII-6 dated August 1, 1991 regulating hardship withdrawals (Attachment 2);
- Excerpt from SAIC CODA Plan regarding distributions from plan accounts (Attachment 3):

These criteria allow a participant in SAIC's CODA to make withdrawals only if the individual has taken out the maximum available loans under the plan and disqualify the employee making the withdrawal from participating in CODA for twelve months thereafter.

In applying the criteria, the SAIC Retirement Plan Committee follows the standard provisions in the IRS regulations governing hardship withdrawal requests. The categories of hardship listed on the SAIC form are the same as those included in the IRS regulations.

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I hope this information meets your needs. Please call me with any questions (703-556-7236).

Sincerely,

Susan M. Frank
Corporate Counsel

Attachments

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ATTACHMENT 1

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CODA HARDSHIP WITHDRAWAL FORM

VIII.6 Attachment 1 CASH OR DEFERRED ARRANGEMENT This form applies only if you are an active SAIC employee, and wish to make a withdrawal from your CODA account balance due to financial hardship. NOTE: POSSIBLE TAX PENALTIES - SEE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM. I hereby apply for a Hardship Withdrawal from the SAIC CODA in the amount of \$ APPLICATION reason for HARDSHIP Medical expenses not covered by insurance for me or my dependent(s) Purchase of a principal residence for myself Payment of tuition and related educational feet for the next 12 menths of post secondary education for myself or dependent(s) The need to prevent the eviction from my principal residence or foreclosure on the mortgage of my principal residence. Other Manacial emergency beyond my control. On a separate sheet, give details of reason(s) to support category checked. PARTICIPANT. CERTIFICATION I certify that my CODA Hardship Withdrawal Application is for the purpose of satisfying a hardship requirement, and that such hardship requirement is described as I further certify that this Hardship Withdrawal is necessary in light of immediate and heavy financial needs, that the Hardship money requested does not exceed the amount required to meet the immediate Strangial seed created by the Hardship, and is not reasonably available from other sources. I further carefy that I have read and do understand the reverse side of this application, and realize that CODA contributions will be suspended for 12 months and there may be possible tax penalties due to this Klardship Withdrawal. Signature of Applicants Dates TAX WITHHOLDING 20 % federal income tax will aptematically be withbold. PARTICIPANT INFORMATION Name Social Security No.: Address Employee No.: Termination Date: (طعاء) (dp) Telephone No.: Birth Date: se return completed application to: Science Applications International Corporation, Retirement Programs, 10260 Campus Point Drive, San Diego, CA 92121, (619) 552-4792. A confirming copy indicating scheduled payment will be returned to you. FOR RETIREMENT PROGRAMS USE ONLY: Hardship Distribution is scheduled for approximately: Date Received: Checked By: Approved by:

Amt.

Approved

Confirmation sent:

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VIII-6 Attachment 2

1. HARDSHIP - A distribution will be considered a hardship only if the distribution is made due to an immediate and heavy financial meed of the participant and that such distribution is necessary to eather such financial need.

A distribution will be deemed to be made on account of an immediate and beavy financial need of a participant if the following requirement is satisfied:

- 1.1 The distribution is not in excess of the amount of the immediate and heavy financial need of the employee.
- 1.2 The employee has obtained all distributions other than hardship distribution and all nontamble loans currently available under all plans maintained by SAIC.
- 1.3 The suployes contribution under the CODA will be suspended for 12 months after receipt of the hardship distribution, and
- The maximum salary an employee may defer in the CODA Plan for the year following the Harchhip Distribution will be the maximum permitted by law (\$8,728 in 1992) less the amount of salary the employee actually deferred for the taxable year of the hardship distribution.
- 2. PAYMENT OF RENEFITS Benefit payment will be made as soon as practical, and participants will be advised of the scheduled payment date. All Early Distributions will be made in cash.
- 3. TAX CONSEQUENCES The entire Hardship Withdrawal received by the participant is subject to Federal withholding of 20%. The full amount may also be subject to a 10% text penalty. The only exception is for medical expenses deductible for the year of the withdrawal (generally these are limited to medical expenses in excess of 7 1/2% of adjusted gross income that is not covered by instirance.)

If the participant does not have enough federal income tax withheld from the withdrawal, the participant may be responsible for payment of estimated tax. Penalties may be incurred under the estimates tax rules if the withholding and estimated tax payments are not sufficient. The Withdrawal may also have significant tax consequences.

The various elections available to the participant may have significant tax and financial consequences and a personal tax ' and/or financial advisor should be consulted. No representations are made to the participant concerning the financial or tax consequences of this withdrawal.

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SAIC RETIREMENT PLAN COMMITTEE RULE

Title:	CODA Hardship Provision	Number VIII-8 Date: August 1, 1991 Page 1 of 2	
	Referenced Committee Meeting Date: <u>July 1</u> Signed By:	Meeting Date: July 18, 1991	
	Applicable To:	Plan Article/Paragraph Reference	
	SAIC Profit Sharing		
-	TSC Profit Sharing		
	Comsystems Profit Sharing		
	CODA	8.6	
	ESOP		

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

To establish Committee rules for implementation of Hardship Withdrawals from the CODA Plan.

2. BACKGROUND

Section 8.6 of the CODA Plan allows a participant to withdraw amounts from his/her Deferred Fund-Account prior to attaining \$9.1/2, upon incurring a Hardship as determined by the Committee. After several years, the IRS in August, 1968 issued Final Regulations describing in detail Hardship provisions. The following rules should be applied to all Hardship withdrawsis from the CODA Plan after October 12, 1966.

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SAIC Retirement Plans Committee Rule

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3. RULE

A) Definition of Hardship - A distribution will be considered a hardship only if the distribution is made due to an immediate and heavy financial need of the participant and that such a distribution is necessary to satisfy such financial need.

The determination of whether a participant has an immediate and heavy financial need to be made on the basis of all relevant facts and circumstances. A distribution will be deemed to be made on account of an immediate and heavy financial need of the participant if the distribution is due to:

- Medical expanses not covered by insurance for the participant or dependent(s)
- 2. Purchase of a principal residence for the employee
- 3. Payment of tuition for the next semester, or quarter of post secondary education for employee or dependent(s).
- 4. The need to prevent the eviction from the employee's principal residence or foreclasuse on the mortgage of the employee's principal residence.
- 5. Other employee's financial emergencies as the Retirement Plans Committee may determine.
- E) To receive a Hardship Withdrawai, the following requirements must first be met by the Applicant:
 - The Applicant must sign the CODA form and certify all information requested on that form.
 - The Applicant must have withdrawn, or must withdraw at the same time that an Application for Hardship Withdrawal is submitted, all Profit Sharing Voluntary, CODA, and/or Compystems Profit Sharing Voluntary Accounts balances at Vanguard.
 - The Applicant must have obtained all eligible loans from the SAIC Retirement Plans.
 - The Hardship Withdrawal may not be less than \$500.
 - The Applicant must suspend all CODA defents contributions for 12 months after receiving the CODA Hardship Withdrawai.
 - 6. The Applicant will not be allowed to make elective contributions for the taxable year immediately following the taxable year of the Hardship Withdrawal in excess of the maximum permitted by ourrent law (\$8,475 in 1991) less the amount of such Applicant's elected contribution for the taxable year of the Hardship Withdrawal.
- C) Two Retirement Plan Committee members must approve Hardship Withdrawais which are in accordance with Rule 3A1 3A4. Four Retirement Plan Committee members must approve Hardship Withdrawais which are in accordance with Rule 3A5.

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ATTACHMENT 3

later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the close of the Plan Year in which the Participant attains age 62.

8.6 Distributions from Plan Account.

- (6) A Participant's "Distributable Benefit" in his Plan Account shall be his entire interest in the Account. This amount shall be distributable in the form of cash.
- (b) A Participant's Distributable Benefit in his Plan Account shall be distributed in one lump sum at the time at which his benefit under the Plan is distributable to him in accordance with the preceding rules of this Article VIII.
- (c) For purposes of determining the amount of Distributable Benefit that will be distributed to a Participant or Beneficiary pursuant to the rules of this Article VIII, the value of the Participant's Account shall be determined in accordance with rules prescribed by the Committee. However, the value of the Participant's Account shall be increased or decreased (as appropriate) by any contributions or distributions properly allocable under the terms of this Plan to his Account that occurred on or after the Applicable Valuation Date or for any other reason were not otherwise properly reflected in the valuation of his Account on such Valuation Date.
- (d) Neither the Committee, the Company, nor the Trustee shall have any responsibility for any increase of decrease in the value of a Participant's Account as a result of any valuation made under the terms of this Plan after the date of his termination of employment and before the date of the distribution of his Account to him or his Beneficiary. Also, neither the Committee, the Company, nor the Trustee shall have any responsibility for failing to make any interim valuation of a Participant's Account between the data of distribution to the Participant of his Account and the immediately preceding Valuation Date, even though the Plan Assets may have been revalued in that interim for a purpose other than to revalue the Accounts under this Plan.
- (e) Additionally, a Participant shall be entitled to make withdrawals from his Plan Account after the date on which he attains the age of 59-1/2 even though his employment with the Company has not yet been terminated. Further, a Participant may withdraw amounts from his Plan Account prior to attaining age 59-1/2, upon incurring a Hardship as determined by the Committee, provided that no amount representing earnings in such account after December 31, 1988, may be withdrawn. A withdrawal will be deemed on account of Hardship only if the distribution is made on account of an immediate and heavy

financial need and is necessary to satisfy such financial need. Any withdrawal made pursuant to this Paragraph (e) shall be made in accordance with rules prescribed by the Committee that are consistent with Regulations under Code section 401(k), and the following rules:

- (i) The determination of whether an Employee has an immediate and heavy financial need is to be made by the Committee on the basis of all relevant facts and circumstances. A distribution will be deemed to be made on account of an immediate and heavy financial need of the Employee if the distribution is on account of:
- (A) Medical expenses of the Employee or his dependent(s) not covered by insurance;
- (B) Purchase of the principal residence for the Employee;
- (C) Fayment of tuition for the next semester or quarter of post-secondary education for the Employee or his dependent(s);
- (D) The need to prevent the eviction from the Employee's principal residence or foreclosuse on the mortgage of the Employee's principal residence; or
- (E) Other financial circumstances as the Committee may determine, consistent with applicable regulations and rulings of the Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service.
- (ii) To receive a Hardship withdrawal, the following requirements must first be mat by the applicant:
- (A) The applicant must sign the forms provided by the Committee and certify all information requested on that form;
- (B) The applicant must have withdrawn, or must withdraw at the same time that an application for Kardship withdrawal is submitted, all Voluntary Account balances in other Company retirement plans;
- (C) The applicant must have applied for all eligible loans from those Company retirement plans which permit Participant loans;
- (D) The Hardship withdrawal normally cannot be less than \$500.00;